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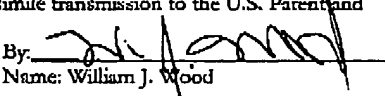
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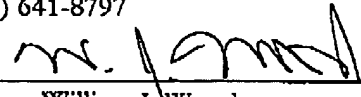
In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a one-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed November 30, 2005, said period of response being extended from December 30, 2005 to January 30, 2006.

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